PATENT APPLICATION

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Applicants: Masahiro SANO et al

For: SURFACE TREATMENT CHEMICALS, FIBER AND PRODUCT

TREATED WITH THE SURFACE TREATMENT CHEMICALS

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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 3, 1999, Applicants respectfully requests entry of the following amendments:

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Page 1, line 8, after "substances," insert ---and---. line 12; after "Hitherto" insert ---,---.

line 16; after "containing" insert ---an---.

line 18; after "according to" insert

line 20; after "through" insert ---an---.
change "dropped off" to
---removed---.

line 21; after "in" insert ---an---.
change "Increase" to
---An increase---.

line 22; change "touch" to ---the feel---. change "being" to ---making it---.

line 24; change "to treat" to ---of treating---.

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